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1. Three members of a Hungarian Commercial Mission arrived in Buenos Aires on 20 January 1948. They were: Pal (Paul) Soltesz, Elmer (Elmer) Somcs,* and Sander (Alexander) Falus.
2. Soltesz is the chief of the mission, and is said to be considered by the Soviets as a trustworthy Hungarian Communist. He was in Moscow during 1947 participating in Soviet-Hungarian trade talks. He is proud of the fact that at this time he prevented an impasse in the negotiations by winning Soviet approval of his proposals. It is reported that Soltesz has not made any contact with the Soviet Embassy or the Soviet satellite diplomatic missions since his arrival in Argentina.
3. Somcs is not a Communist, but, to the contrary, is one of the right-wing members of the Small Landowners Party.
4. Falus is a Hungarian businessman who, it is believed, may settle in Buenos Aires with his brother, Tivador (Theodore) Falus, who lives at Calle Arroyo 810, in Buenos Aires.
5. The Mission is reportedly trying to obtain Argentine hides and oils in exchange for Hungarian industrial equipment, including railroad rolling stock.** According to source, the Mission has not made much progress.

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